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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1731

AMEMBASSY KABUL

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ISLAMABAD INFO LAHORE FROM KARACHI AUG 25
BEING REPEATED TO YOU:

QUOTE

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SUBJ: CONSULAR: PARTIAL CLOSURE OF IRANIAN BORDER WITH PAKISTAN

REF: ISLAMABAD 7506

1. AUGUST 25 URDU DAILY "MASHRIQ" CARRIES A NEWS STORY
ANNOUNCING THAT THE WEEKLY TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN QUETTA AND
ZAHEDAN (IRAN) HAS BEEN RESUMED AFTER A HIATUS OF THREE
WEEKS. "MASHRIQ" STORY STATED THAT RAIN DAMAGE TO
RAILROAD BED HAD NECESSITATED SUSPENSION OF SERVICE;
KARACHI SOURCES INDICATE FURTHER THAT CHOLERA OUTBREAK IN
BORDER AREAS (REFTEL) WAS UNPUBLICIZED ADDITIONAL,
EVEN PRIMARY, CAUSE OF TEMPORARY HALT IN SERVICE.

2. IRANIAN CONSUL GENERAL IN KARACHI HAS CONFIRMED
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TO CONGEN THAT INSTRUCTIONS WERE RECEIVED FROM TEHRAN

IN EARLY AUGUST THAT VISAS NOT REPEAT NOT BE ISSUED
FOR TRAVEL TO IRAN, WHETHER BY LAND ROUTE OR BY AIR. THE
IRANIAN CONSUL GENERAL FURTHER INDICATED THAT THE CHOLERA
OUTBREAK HAD EVOKED THE BAN, WHICH CONTINUES IN EFFECT.
ONLY IN "SPECIAL CASES" IN WHICH THE IRANIAN CONSUL
GENERAL INTERVIEWS THE VISA APPLICANT AND CHECKS
HIS INNOCULATION CARD IS THE IRANIAN CONSUL GENERAL

PERMITTED TO ISSUE A VISA.
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